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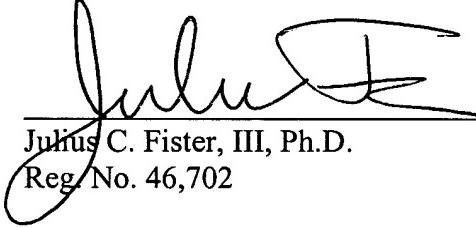
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Upon reviewing the file, applicants noted that they have not received initialed copies of the enclosed PTO Form 1449's that accompanied the information Disclosure Statements filed June 15, 2004 and May 17, 2005, respectively.

Applicants' records show that these Information Disclosure Statements complied with 37 CFR 1.97. Thus, we respectfully request that the examiner initial and return these forms as soon as possible. Note, applicants must pay the issue fee by October 1, 2005, so the examiner's prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 11, 2005

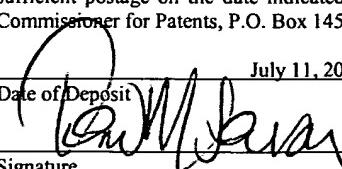

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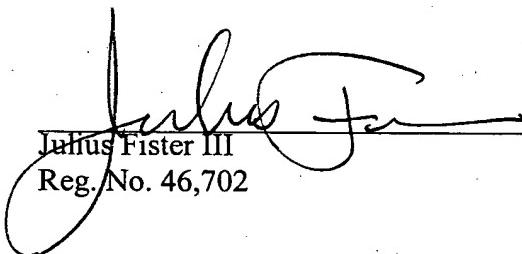
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Applicant submits the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

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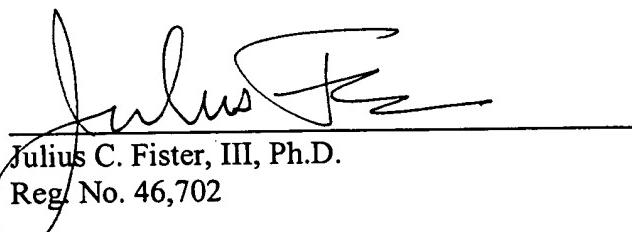
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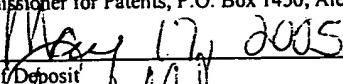
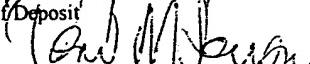

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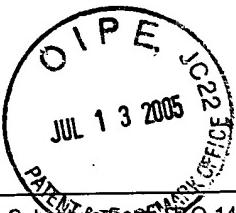
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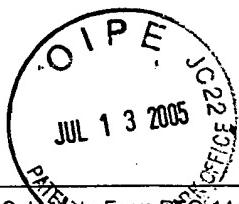
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U.S. Patent Documents

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	AB	6,063,589	05/16/2000	Kellogg et al.			

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